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**System and Method for Improved  
Handling of Client State Objects**

**ABSTRACT**

A client state object, such as a "cookie," allows a  
5 server to save client state information on the client.  
This information is returned when the client requests  
information from the server. A server includes two  
identifiers - a primary name and an alternate name. Web  
pages on the server are modified so that links to server  
10 resources, such as files, that need client state  
information reference the primary name, while other links  
that do not need client state information reference the  
alternate name. In this manner, it does not matter which  
directory on the server is used to store files and files  
15 can be intermingled with one another regardless of whether  
the individual files use client state information. A  
method is provided for modifying existing web pages based  
on whether server resources addressed by the hyperlinks use  
client state information.